

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2414 – HB 2574

March 13, 2012

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014169): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires any licensed health care practitioner to, within three business days of receiving a federal or state indictment for an offense involving the sale or dispensing of controlled substances, report such indictment to the practitioner's licensing board. Failure to comply with this requirement constitutes a violation of the practitioner's relevant practice act and subjects the practitioner to discipline or sanction under that act. Encourages the district attorney general and appropriate attorneys for the federal government to promptly notify a relevant licensing board when a practitioner is indicted in this state for such offense. Requires the practitioner's licensing board to hold an expedited emergency hearing, within 10 days of learning of the indictment, to determine whether discipline or sanction is appropriate under the practitioner's relevant practice act. Authorizes any necessary hearings to be conducted by telephonic or other means authorized by law.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Any rulemaking and disciplinary actions authorized by this legislation can be accomplished within existing resources of the Division of Health Related Boards.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2011, the Division of Health Related Boards had a cumulative balance of \$10,859,982.82.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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